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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT


Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 28, 2001, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-16 for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

This Response is being filed within 30 days from the Restriction Requirement mailed December 28, 2001 and no fee is believed to be due. However, should any fees be required to ensure consideration of this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 16-0085, Reference No. 22620/1222.

Respectfully submitted,

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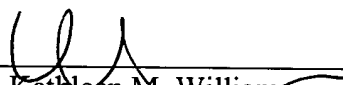
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